

**Assembly Bill No. 2730**

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Passed the Assembly July 15, 2008

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*Chief Clerk of the Assembly*

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Passed the Senate July 10, 2008

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*Secretary of the Senate*

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This bill was received by the Governor this \_\_\_\_\_ day  
of \_\_\_\_\_, 2008, at \_\_\_\_\_ o'clock \_\_\_\_M.

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*Private Secretary of the Governor*

## CHAPTER \_\_\_\_\_

An act to amend Section 14514.7 of the Public Resources Code, relating to beverage containers.

## LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2730, Leno. Beverage containers: nonprofit convenience zone recyclers.

Under existing law, the California Beverage Container Recycling and Litter Reduction Act, every beverage container sold or offered for sale in this state is required to have a minimum refund value. A distributor is required to pay a redemption payment for every beverage container sold or offered for sale in the state to the Department of Conservation and the department is required to deposit those amounts in the California Beverage Container Recycling Fund. The money in the fund is continuously appropriated to the department for the payment of refund values and processing fees, and, among other things, for the payment of handling fees to supermarket sites, nonprofit convenience zone recyclers, and rural region recyclers for every beverage container redeemed by those entities.

Existing law defines the term “convenience zone” for the purposes of the act and requires every convenience zone to be served by at least one certified recycling center. The Director of Conservation is authorized to grant an exemption from these convenience zone requirements based on specified factors. The act also defines the term “nonprofit convenience zone recycler” as a recycling center that meets certain requirements, including that the recycling center is located within a convenience zone, but is not necessarily a supermarket site.

This bill would, in the alternative, require that a nonprofit convenience zone recycler have operated in the same location for not less than 5 years and be located within one mile of a supermarket that is in a convenience zone that is exempt from the requirement that there be a certified recycling center or location within every convenience zone.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

SECTION 1. Section 14514.7 of the Public Resources Code is amended to read:

14514.7. “Nonprofit convenience zone recycler” means a recycling center that meets the criteria described in subdivision (a) or (b):

(a) The recycling center is all of the following:

(1) Operated by an organization established under Section 501(c) or 501(d) of Title 26 of the United States Code.

(2) Certified by the department pursuant to Section 14538.

(3) Located within a convenience zone, but is not necessarily a supermarket site.

(b) The recycling center is all of the following:

(1) Operated by an organization established under Section 501(c) or 501(d) of Title 26 of the United States Code and has operated in the same location for a period of not less than five years.

(2) Certified by the department pursuant to Section 14538.

(3) Located within one mile of a supermarket that is in convenience zone that is exempt from the requirement of subdivision (a) of Section 14571.

Approved \_\_\_\_\_, 2008

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*Governor*